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Spectre team beats deployment obstacles

by Capt. Carol Kanode Public Affairs

For three months, the 16th Special Operations Squadron and 16th Aircraft Generation Squadron participated in an operation called "Wintering Over" in Korea.

Aircrews divided up the deployment into two rotations, and logistics members – mainly from the 16th AGS, but including some from the 16th Component Repair Squadron and 16th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, remained from March 1 to May 1 with two H-model AC-130 "Spectre" gunships.

Difficulties began right away, according to Lt. Col. Brian Cutts, 16th SOS director of operations and one of the mission commanders during the deployment. Part of the problem was getting the necessary tankers to refuel during the lengthy 40-flying-hour journey. But other challenges, he said, were the maintenance problems they encountered.

En route to Korea, among other locations, a gunship broke down at Wake Island, a remote refueling location about 2,000 miles west of Hawaii. It was there that Staff Sgt. John Coveney's maintenance skills impressed Colonel Cutts.

"It was really all a team effort," Sergeant Coveney, a swing shift

supervisor in the 16th Aircraft Maintenance Unit engine shop, modestly explained.

The gunship's engine and propeller needed to be changed so the Hurlburt Field maintainers used the supply system to obtain a replacement from Kadena Air Base, Japan. But the change kit that arrived didn't contain some needed tools and parts. And because of their remote location, maintainers didn't have some of the usual equipment to make the job easier.

"They had to rig some parts," Colonel Cutts said in aweof their innovation.

Sergeant Coveney, the only engine specialist deployed, said replacing an engine at Hurlburt Field normally takes about 14 hours with four or five engine specialists doing the job. This particular job took about two days with a hydraulics specialist, electrician, guidance and control maintainer, communications maintainer and a crew chief pitching in.

"It goes a lot quicker when only engine specialists work to replace an engine," Sergeant Coveney admitted. "But the whole thing was a team effort. I couldn't have done it on my own," he reiterated.

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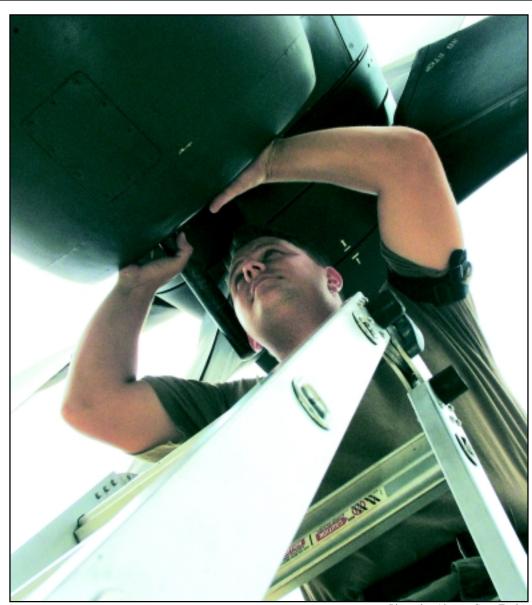


Photo by Airman Sam Taylor

Staff Sgt. Tom Butler, an AC-130U crew chief with the 16th Aircraft Generation Squadron, inspects the intake of a gunship's engine prior to take off during the second portion of a 16th Special Operations Wing Operational Readiness Inspection. During the first part of the inspection, in April, the wing was tested on its ability to survive and operate. This part of the ORI tests initial response capabilities and includes a deployment.

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Col. David Scott Commander, 16th SOW

First impression

Comment: Recently, while coming in the back gate of one of the tip of the spear commands in the Air Force, I was quite taken aback to see the female gate guard with a ponytail extending well below her collar.

Whoever is at the Hurlburt Field gate represents the Air Force to visitors and base personnel alike.

Their dress and personal appearance standards should uphold the highest

I think more emphasis needs to be placed on what the command presents to the public in terms of its elite law enforcement.

Reply: You're right. We're on it.

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Not just another campaign

by Gen. Gregory Martin Commander, USAFE

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany -

"Spring into 101 Critical Days of Summer" is not just another safety campaign, but rather a time for us to think about and prepare for the summer and schedule our activities accordingly.

By planning ahead of time, we can do a much better job of anticipating the many challenges we'll face as we try to balance personal, family and Air Force priorities.

And, most importantly, we'll be able to build in some flexibility, which will allow each of us to deal with the inevitable pop-up circumstances requiring changes to our original plan.

Although we face seasonal risks throughout the year, I've found the summer season to be the most danger-

With longer days and predominantly better weather, we have a tendency to overestimate the number of activities we can accomplish in any given day while underestimating the fatigue factor associated with those activities. Additionally, the summer months produce rapidly changing and often violent weather patterns that can catch even the most prepared at an awkward and dangerous point.

The first step in all mishap prevention plans is to be aware of and expect change. Next, match and assess the risks associated with a change.

Finally, we must adjust our attitudes and behaviors based on change and its associated risks. I offer the following as a recipe for your personal mishap prevention plan:

- O Expect change
- O Assess the risk before you act
- O Trust your intuition
- O Take care of each other

Your goal is to survive.

I can't stress enough how important our people are in making our mission a success. I don't subscribe to the view that mishaps are considered a normal part of our military business - they can be prevented and eliminated!

We must all step out and demonstrate our sincere concern for everyone's safety and security to ensure a healthy environment during this time of year as we "Spring into 101 Critical Days of Summer.

Who's in charge here anyway'?

by Paul Stone

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON – During a recent visit to a relative's house, I found myself confronted with several new family members – including a satellite dish, a television on steroids and two remote controls.

It was as unexpected as it was daunting.

One hundred and fifty channels. Two separate remotes (I'm still not sure why). And a screen large enough to make even the most avid toddling "Barney" fan scared to death should the purple blob suddenly appear at the click of a button. I felt like John Wayne waiting for the saloon doors to open so I could blow away Bad Bart or some other villain.

At first, having all-day access to this is indeed both pleasurable and powerful, much like the first time you log on to the Internet. The world, it appears, is at your fingertips.

With just a click of a button you can be just about anywhere you want to be and see just about anything you

want to see. A dangerous mix of adrenaline and testosterone floods your body, making you believe you're in charge.

You are the power. Whatever you want, it's yours. Just point and click. Then you crash. An ice storm knocks out the power. Sudden darkness and an eerie silence replace the blue haze of the television screen. You click with one hand, then the other. But nothing happens. Without the ability to point and click you've lost your ability to decide, control and maneuver your way through the evening.

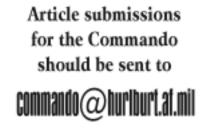
Or have you? As individuals, and as a society, many of us have allowed technology to take over and exert far greater control than it deserves.

This is not to say television and the Internet lack value and purpose. But with each, more is usually less – less entertainment, less stimulation and certainly less social interaction.

At issue here is not what we're doing when our evenings are filled with channel surfing or surfing the Internet.

It's what we're not doing.

Turn them off for a week and find out.



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News

Base has new master and tech selects

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE,

Texas – The Air Force selected 7,031 of 18,038 eligible technical sergeants for promotion to master sergeant and 12,051 of 36,095 eligible staff sergeants for promo-

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Air Operations Flight John Ellis

16th Component Repair Squadron
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Jr., and Gregory Thompson

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Spotlight on ...



Staff Sgt. Benjamin Reynolds

Name: Benjamin Reynolds Rank/Duty Title: Staff sergeant/ military working dog handler

Organization: 16th Security Forces Squadron

Hometown: Greenfield Center, N.Y. Hobbies: Weightlifting and cars Contribution to the mission: Sergeant Reynolds is a detector dog handler. He's been assigned to Hurlburt Field since March, and is handling a 2-year-old Belgian Malinois military working dog named Sarah. May 16 through 18, his team competed in the Department of Defense military working dog competition at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. They competed against 60 other teams from four services. His team placed fourth in the handler protection competition. As a team, they are able to deploy within 24 hours anytime, any where, working hand-in-hand with other government agencies such as Secret Service and U.S. Marshals. On base, his dayto-day job includes law enforcement, security, training in detection and patrol with his dog, Sarah.

(Editor's note: The COM-MANDO highlights airmen, junior NCOs, company grade officers, Department of Defense civilians and volunteers in units who do a great job. All supervisors are encouraged to use this recognition program. Call the 16th Special Operations Wing Public Affairs Office at 884-7464 for more information.)

Meet the new commander



Lt. Col. Floyd Boyer

Name/Rank: Floyd Boyer/Lieutenant Colonel

Organization: 16th Mission Support Squadron

Hometown: Panama City, Fla.

Off-duty time is for: Family

Previous Assignment: Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Deputy Chief of Personnel Issues

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Ensure we do our jobs in such fashion as to ensure the 16th Special Operations Wing and Air Force Special Operations Command are able to do theirs without concern for those areas of their mission we're

responsible for. Work Philosophy:

Strive for perfection. You'll never reach it, but you'll do outstanding.

Divers stranded in water for eight hours

by 2nd Lt. Rosemary Heiss *Public Affairs*

Three 39th Information Operations Squadron airmen had a Memorial Day weekend they'll never forget.

Capt. Jaime Gomez, dean of faculty at the Information Operations School, and Master Sgt. Dave Grubbs, deputy faculty director, both certified open-water divers, spent almost eight hours in the Gulf of Mexico May 25 after they drifted from the location of the boat they dove from.

At about 7 a.m. Sergeant Grubbs and Captain Gomez left shore with the boat owner, Master Sgt. Tim Autry, 39th IOS NCO in charge of the Exercise Management Flight.

They motored the boat about 12 miles from shore to anchor so Sergeant Autry could fish while Sergeant Grubbs and Captain Gomez dove to see the ruins of a tugboat that would be directly beneath the 20-foot fishing boat.

It appeared to be a perfect day for that, according to Captain Gomez. "There were fly-

ing fish and dolphins close enough to touch. It was surreal," he said.

But the unsuspecting water enthusiasts were about to have their plans changed.

At about 10:30 a.m. Captain Gomez and Sergeant Grubbs dove into the water to explore the sunken tugboat, but while they checked each others dive equipment, they drifted with the current, which was reported later to be 1.5 knots on the surface.

Below the surface the current was even stronger – between 2 and 2.5 knots.

When they dove, they realized the tugboat wreckage wasn't under them, but decided to swim around until they located it, assuming it couldn't be far.

They stayed down for about 30 minutes, and when they surfaced Sergeant Autry and the boat were about a mile away from them. With the three- to four-foot waves, Sergeant Autry couldn't see the divers.

"We tried to swim toward the boat," said

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Courtesy photo

Capt. Jaime Gomez, 39th Information Operations Squadron, reunites with his wife after being stranded in the Gulf of Mexico for eight hours.

Base paintball field nears completion

by Airman Sam Taylor
Public Affairs

Some of the finishing touches are being made to Hurlburt Field's long-awaited paintball field Saturday, in the form of giant nets to keep loose paintballs on the field, where they belong.

The field, located across U.S. Highway 98 just east of the Soundside, is slated to open this fall, and it employs nearly eight acres of land for paintball players to engage in battle. Getting a base paintball field has been a long process, starting several years ago as a suggestion at a Hulburt Advisory Council meeting, said Jerry Romano, outdoor recreation community support chief.

"The biggest problem was finding the land," said Mr. Romano. And now that it's been found, most of the land is wooded and dense – perfect for paintball, he said.

After the paintball plan was developed and the land identified, the battleground was afforded a full environmental assessment of the impact the games would have on the land.

Once the assessment was complete and the project was a go, work was started on one of the main modifications on the field – putting up safety nets running adjacent to U.S. Highway 98 to keep stray paintballs from getting near traffic. Poles to suspend the nets are already in place, but volunteers are needed to help put up the nets Saturday. Over time, barrels and portable barriers to provide cover will be added, and bleachers with safety netting are also being considered to allow spectators a

view of the games. Managed by the 16th Services Squadron, the tentative rates for a day of paintball will be \$12 for field usage and the use of a custom semi-automatic paintball gun and equipment, and \$8 for players with their own guns and equipment. With the 16th Special Operations Wing spending nearly \$28,000 on the paintball program for equipment, the environmental assessment and more, one might ask why the paintball field is such a big deal for base airmen and their families. Eleven-year paintball veteran Senior Airman John Jaramillo, 16th Transportation Squadron, has the answer.

"Playing paintball is one of the biggest adrenaline rushes you'll ever have," he said. "Paintball is fun, and it's a great way to relieve stress," he joked. "It's the only sport where you can shoot your friends, and still be their friend."

"It fosters a lot of teamwork," said Airman Jaramillo. "Camaraderie is a big thing among tournament paintball players. No matter where I go, I meet up with other players — it's like we seek each other out."

As far as physical fitness goes, paintball can offer a tough workout, but one doesn't have to be Rambo to play with the big boys, he said

"You don't have to be in really good shape to play paintball," said Airman Jaramillo, "but it can *definitely* give you a workout."

Plans for the field include holding base intramural championships, contests between bases and even other military branches, said Mr. Romano.

Volunteers interested in pitching in to put up the nets should meet on the field Saturday at $8\ a.m.$

Look who's talking: What sister service impress you the most and why?



"Marines. They get a little more up close and personal during wartime."

Staff Sgt.
Daniel Courson,
20th Special Operations
Squadron



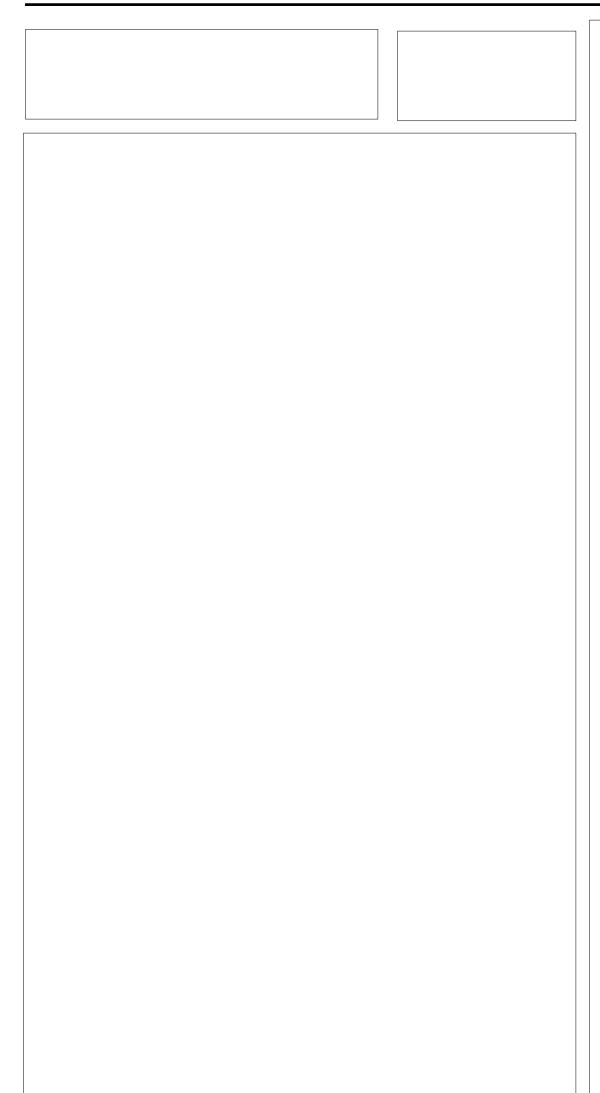
"Navy. It takes a strong person mentally to be on a boat for six months at a time with a bunch of women or all men. I give them much respect because it couldn't be me. That's why I'm in the best force on the ground."

Airman 1st Class Toni Topps, 16th Transportation Squadron



"U.S. Army. They're hard chargers. No matter what the cost, they always strive to get the mission done."

Staff Sgt. Eric Rigby,15th Special Operations
Squadron



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the captain, "but realized we weren't making progress. The boat was farther than we thought."

The captain's dive gear had a whistle, but because of their distance from the boat, Sergeant Autry couldn't hear them, Sergeant Grubbs said.

Sergeant Autry, who didn't know much about diving beyond what he'd seen on television, didn't think anything was wrong until about 11 a.m.

He couldn't see them, so he began trying to make distress calls over the radio to no avail – his radio was unable to transmit.

Then, he tried to call for help from his cell phone, but he was out of range.

He reached for a flare, but those, too, were useless because they were outdated and wouldn't ignite.

He feared his friends had gotten trapped under the water or had suffered from decompression sickness, commonly known as the bends.

After no calls for help succeeded, Sergeant Autry began searching on his own.

He drove in a large circle from the spot the divers originally went down.

At 12:30 p.m., he spotted another boat about a mile away en route to Destin and used their radio to call the Coast Guard.

After nearly two and a half-hours in the water, the two divers saw a Coast Guard jet overhead and were confident it would be only a matter of time before they were rescued.

As the day wore on, they decided to take a more proactive approach and started swimming toward shore.

They decided to swim in the direction of the waves, assuming the waves would be breaking toward shore.

This was only partially correct.

The waves, in fact, were breaking to the northeast, toward Panama City.

As evening drew near, they planned how they would survive over night if necessary. Thankfully this wasn't required, said Captain Gomez. After searching for almost six hours, the jet crew finally saw Sergeant Grubbs' brightly colored dive fins, which he had been using to try to get their attention.

The jet circled overhead while vectoring in a local fishing boat to pick them up – now about 20 miles off shore.

From there, they were transferred to a Coast Guard cutter, which took them back to their families and friends waiting at the Coast Guard station in Destin.

All three commented on how the all-NCO Coast Guard crew demonstrated "fantastic team-work and professionalism throughout the operation."

The Coast Guard rescue crew said that Sergeant Grubbs and Captain Gomez were fortunate because searches don't usually turn out the way theirs did.

In addition to the search crew from the Coast Guard, MH-53 crews from the 20th Special Operations Squadron were on alert and ready to aid in the search and rescue.

"The base really jumped on board," said Sergeant Autry. "They were prepared to do whatever was necessary."

Both the divers and the fisherman intend to try their idea again soon, but they'll be armed with more equipment and a better plan.

Both divers plan to purchase a diver safety signaling kit.

It includes a signaling mirror, a "buddy lanyard," a whistle, a light stick and an eight-foot super tube safety sausage (which provides the diver an increased surface profile when inflated). Additionally, Sergeant Autry will make sure his boat radio functions properly.

They all agree that if the divers had informed Sergeant Autry about some diving basics, the situation wouldn't have gotten so bad.

"Divers want to go in and do their thing in the water," said Sergeant Autry.

"Fishermen want to stay in the boat and catch fish, but they need to have basic understanding of each, so they can avoid this situation."



Courtesy photo

Recognizing the unique needs of Air Force Special Operations Command, the Air Force Doctrine Center is creating an AFSOCspecific doctrine.

Air Force special ops doctrine pending approval

by Maj. Patti Frisbie Air Force Doctrine Center

MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, Ala. – Representatives from the Air Force Doctrine Center traveled to Hurlburt Field this week to brief special operations doctrine to Lt. Gen. Maxwell Bailey, Air Force Special Operations Command commander.

This document, the first operational level doctrine of its kind for U.S. Air Force special operations, serves to make all airmen aware of the unique aerospace capabilities that Air Force special operations forces bring to the fight – specifically to the joint forces air component commander.

Air Force Doctrine Document 2-7 *Special Operations* is the keystone operational doctrine for preparing and employing U.S. Air Force special operations forces.

It covers the airman's perspective of Air Force special operations forces, AFSOC's contribution to aerospace power as well as command and control, organization and employment of Air Force special operations forces.

"This doctrine describes not only how we employ Air Force special operations forces to meet today's threats and challenges, but also guides our efforts as we prepare to meet those of tomorrow," said Maj. Gen. Lance Smith, AFDC commander.

The document took more than three years to develop.

"While we worked hand in hand with the doctrine center folks to write this, we also participated in numerous discussions and debates within AFSOC as well as with the other warfighting commands and the Air Staff," said Maj. Bob Monroe, AFSOC's doctrine focal point.

"What's important to point out is that this document was written by Air Force warfighters, not in some 'think tank' as many people might assume," said Maj. Kevin Masterson, an MC-130P navigator, who's the special operations forces subject matter expert at the doctrine center.

Major Masterson, who flew with the 9th Special Operations Squadron and served as the weapons and tactics flight commander for the 16th Operation Support Squadron before being assigned to AFDC, briefed AFDD 2-7 to the Air Force Chief of Staff, Gen. Michael Ryan, June 5.

"Time and again the capabilities of Air Force special operations have been needed to advance our nation's interests, and we have risen to the task," said General Bailey. "This specialized force will remain capable only if we look to the future and critically and honestly evaluate what missions we need Air Force special operations forces prepared to execute. As the world changes, as the threat changes, and as we learn fresh lessons, our doctrine must keep pace."

The AFDC, with headquarters at Maxwell Air Force Base, leads the development of basic and operational-level doctrine for the Air Force.

CSAF approval of AFDD 2-7 is expected later this summer.

New law affects young bikers

by Staff Sgt. John Franke
Pass and Registration

As Florida's laws change, it's important to inform the public to ensure a smooth transition from the old way of doing things to the new way.

The newest change to Florida statutes includes instruction permits and temporary licenses.

April 1, it became the standard policy of the Florida Division of Driver Licenses to require the Motorcycle Rider Safety Education completion certificate, for all customers under 21, prior to being issued a motorcycle license.

Though people 21 or younger may have previously been issued a motorcycle permit, it's no longer valid without the Motorcycle Safety Foundation course completion card.

In order to have a replacement license issued, it's now mandatory to complete the motorcycle course and present the certificate to the local driver license office. The Florida Drivers License they'll issue will have either "Motorcycle Also" or "Motorcycle Only" printed on its face.

For those 21 or over, the applicant can still take the course for waiver provisions or take the motorcycle written and eye tests, and get the temporary permit with "No Riders" annotated on his or her Florida Drivers License after a driving skill test for endorsement.

Due to the exposed nature of two-wheel transportation, enrollees in the motorcycle courses are encouraged by the Florida Division of Driver Licenses to hold at least a Class E learner license to show their proficiency in traffic law and vision.

The 16th Special Operations Wing Ground Safety Office handles enrollment to these monthly classes, which are held at Eglin Air Force Base.

For more information about motorcycle registration, call the pass and registration office at 884-5233.

For more information concerning Motorcycle Safety Class enrollment, call the ground safety office at 884-2610.

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After maintenance delays, both gunships landed in snowladen Korea amid temperatures in the low 20's. The gunships were affixed with cold weather modifications, including air conditioning ducts that allowed heat to be channeled to individual areas of the plane so crewmembers could warm their hands and feet during missions.

But the cold weather also added additional maintenance concerns for the logistics crews. "Cold temperatures cause leaks." We have limits, but if it's out of the limits we have to reseal leaks," said Sergeant Coveney, who's been in the Air Force for six

Leaks included oil and hydraulic fluids due to the vast difference in climates between Hurlburt Field and Korea.

During the Wintering Over operation it was the first time the aircraft deployed with low-light level sensor screens, the first updates to the TVs in the last 30 years, according to Colonel Cutts. The sensors, which are similar to night vision goggles, worked out well.

"With the old kind, every time you flew it had to be fixed. The new one just didn't break. We also didn't need liquid nitrogen, which the old TV needed. So that reduces our support requirements," he explained.

included working with the Republic of Korea liaison officers, Colonel Cutts said. "It had been a year since the 4th SOS [deployed to Korea], so you kind of have to rejuvenate the program by going over there. It's good training for the Koreans and for

Part of that good training included integration in the theater. "Command and control relationships and air space are more complicated than what we normally deal with," Colonel Cutts said. Additionally, using the Army's live firing range provided more hills, whereas around Hurlburt Field ranges are flat, he

Capt. Jason Miller, a 16th SOS aircraft commander, liked the new terrain. "We were able to use live fire on targets that were on ridges and that made it more challenging."

Crewmembers that deployed as part of the Wintering Over operation said they enjoyed the mis-

They even found time to explain to about 200 U.S. military members, information about the gunships during a static display at Osan Air Base, Korea, where they were housed during the deployment.

"The experience of crossing the Pacific, the theater orientation, and doing things directly related to their combat mission was good training in the theater," A benefit of the deployment Colonel Cutts summarized.



Photo by Capt. Jason Miller

Staff Sqt. Don Boroughs (top) and Tech. Sqt. Randy Scanlan, 16th Special Operations Squadron aerial gunners, operate the 105mm Howitzer over Korean airspace during Operation Wintering Over.

Airmen urged to make disaster plans for pets

by Capt. Matt Takara Eglin Veterinary Services

With the summer hurricane, tornado and wildfire season fast approaching, Eglin Veterinary Services is urging military members to include the family cat, dog, bird or any other animals in a disaster plan.

The American Veterinary Medical Association recommends every pet owner have an animal evacuation kit and first aid kit for their animal(s) in the event of a disaster.

The evacuation kit should be assembled in an easy-to-carry, waterproof container that includes food, water, cleaning supplies, medications, vaccination records and photos.

Eglin Veterinary Services encourages families to make sure all animals are wearing identification such as a collar with tag or permanent identification such as a microchip or tattoo.

Identify temporary living arrangements for animals in advance, such as a friend or family member, a kennel, a motel or shelter that accepts animals, so animals don't have to be left behind when evacuation is necessary.

Always keep updated photos of pets on hand to aid in identification if the animals are lost during a disaster.

Eglin Veterinary Services has disaster tip sheets and supply checklists on how to prepare and care for animals during disasters. To obtain the information, visit building 888, Eglin Air Force Base, Monday through Friday 7:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m., or call 882-8250.

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Far more than your local TV meteorologists



s part of the special tactics career field, combat weathermen from the 10th Combat Weather Squadron, headquartered at Hurlburt Field, conduct weather operations with and in support of U.S Special Operations Command, working closely with Army and Marines special forces. Some of their duties include collecting data, assisting in mission planning, generating forecasts in support of special operations, conducting special weather reconnaissance and training foreign national forces.





Photos by Capt. Denise Shorb

Top left: Staff Sgt. Michael Burton, a combat weatherman with Detachment 2, 10th Combat Weather Squadron, Fort Campbell, Ky., determines his exact location with a Global Positioning System receiver, and then radios his tactical weather observation to the operations center via satellite communication.

Bottom left: Senior Airman Ryan Noetzelman, combat weatherman with Det. 2, 10th CWS, uses a hand-held wind meter to determine wind speed, temperature and humidity.



Top right: Tech. Sgt. Stefan Padillo, a combat weatherman with Det. 2, 10th CWS, measures a weather balloon while filling it with helium. Once released, the balloon is used to determine the mean wind speed from the ground to the jump altitude prior to airborne operations.

Bottom right: Sergeant Burton measures cloud height with a VIPER hand-held ceilometer, while in the background Sergeant Padillo provides cover and surveillance.

LIFESTYLE

Military

Wing change of command

Col. David Scott relinquishes command of the 16th Special Operations Wing to Col. Lyle Keonig. The ceremony is June 29 at the Air Park at 9 a.m. and all are invited to attend. Uniform of the day is Battle Dress with sleeves rolled up and black T-shirt. Flight suits, sunglasses and baseball hats are not permitted. Parking will be at a premium, so people are encouraged to walk or use base transportation. A shuttle runs from the parking lot across from the base theater to the Air Park beginning at 8:15 a.m. Call Maj. George Akins or 1st Lt. Julie DeSylva at 884-2871 for more information.

Spanish linguists wanted

Air Force Personnel Center headquarters requests volunteers for Spanish linguist positions in support of Operation Dominant Chronical, counter-drug division. Temporary duty start dates are July 6 and 23. Six positions are available for each date. All volunteers must submit a letter that includes name, grade, Social Security number, Air Force specialty code, unit, security clearance, duty phone, language proficiency level and unit commander's endorsement, to the 16th Mission Support Squadron, Personnel Readiness Function, located in building 90210, room 132.

The following requirements must be met for consideration for this TDY: E-6 or below; 90-day tour length with possible volunteer extension to 179 days; minimum proficiency level 12+/r2+; minimum secret clearance; must posses a government credit card; duty to be performed in Washington, D.C. area; and must meet medical and dental standards prior to TDY. For more information, call the 16th MSS/PRF at 884-2721, or e-mail at dist.16sg.16mss.pru@hurlburt.af.mil.

ALS position open

Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., seeks a highly-motivated staff sergeant to serve as an instructor at the base's Airman Leadership School. People interested in this position should call DSN 493-2415 for more information.

Olmstead Scholar Program

The Olmstead Scholar Program provides an opportunity for up to three officers to study in a foreign language university abroad.

Applications must be sent to the Air Force Personnel Center by Oct. 1. For more information about the program and eligibility criteria, visit military personnel flight's customer service section.

Travel reimbursement

Uniformed members, who are ordered to a medical facility within the local area to take a required physical examination or to obtain a medical diagnosis and/or treatment, are on official business and may be reimbursed for the travel. (Joint Federal Travel Regulation, Section U3500, paragraph C).

Active duty members going to Pensacola, Milton, Panama City, Crestview and beyond for referred medical care by their Hurlburt Field primary care manager, are eligible to file a Standard Form 1164, Claim for Reimbursement for Expenditures on Official Business for travel reimbursement.

The 16th Medical Group will not reimburse patients or members who travel to the 96th Medical Group (Eglin Air Force Base) for appointments or medical care. Any questions concerning this policy can be addressed to the 16th Comptroller Squadron at 884-4116 or 16th Medical Support Squadron at 881-2094.

Community

Parking lot blues

Due to the construction of a new command center, building 90210 lost 73 parking spaces in the center of the main parking lot. Building occupants should park in the overflow lots across Terry Street at the 16th Transportation Squadron or across Lukasik Avenue. Parking tickets will be issued to building occupants observed parking in visitors spaces. Building 90210 occupants not attending classes at the education center shouldn't use its parking lot.

Claims against an airman

Airman 1st class Brandon Beard, a member of the 4th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, passed away May 15 as a result of a single vehicle accident. Anyone with a claim for or against Airman Beard should contact 1st Lt. Louie Cumming, 4th AMU, at 884-8507.

Science summer camp

The FOCUS Center science museum offers a nine-week "Super Summer Science" day camp, chocked full of excitement and wonder for students who have completed grades kindergarten through fifth. Camp times are 8:30 a.m. to noon. For registration information and class topics call 664-1261 or visit www.thefocuscenter.org.

OWCC mini-term

New and returning students may register now through June 22 for a six-week summer mini-term at Okaloosa-Walton Community College. The mini-term allows students to earn all the credit of a normal college term in a compressed period of time. Class dates are June 18 to July 31. Classes are offered at OWCC's Hurlburt Field, Eglin Air Force Base and Niceville locations. Civilian students may register for and attend courses at the base education centers. Call 729-6922, or visit the college Web site at www.owcc.cc.fl.us, for a course listing.

Animal show

The June show at the Art Center Gallery of the Arts and Design Society of Fort Walton Beach features studies of animals. "Animals, Birds, Bees and Bugs" is an exhibition of ADSO members' original art works. The show continues through June 24.

Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 4 p.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. The gallery is located at 17 First Street, S.E. For more information, call 244-1271.



Hurlburt Field Chapel (884-7795)

Catholic Masses
Saturday, 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, 7:30 and 10 a.m.
Confessions: Saturday, 4:30 to 5 p.m.,
or by request.

Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday Protestant Services

Sunday, 8:45 a.m. (praise & worship), 11:15 a.m. (traditional), 12:30 p.m. (Gospel)

Vacation Bible school 9 a.m.- noon June 25-29

Jewish Services (882-2111)

Sabbath services: Friday, 7:30 p.m., Eglin Chapel 1 Havdallah services: next-to-the-last Saturday of

each month, 7 p.m., Chapel annex **Muslim Services (882-2111)** *Jumuah:* Friday, 12:45 p.m. *Our'an:* Saturday, 6 p.m.

At the movies



Prices are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children. Movies start at 7 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

Friday – (R) "Along Came a Spider," starring Morgan Freeman and Monica Potter – A congressman's daughter under Secret Service protection is kidnapped from a private school by an insider who calls Detective Alex Cross, sucking him into the case even though he's recovering from the loss of his partner.

Saturday – (PG) "Crocodile Dundee in Los Angeles," starring Paul Hogan and Linda Kozlowski – The first movie took Mick to New York City, the second movie brought Mick and Sue back to the Outback, and now in the third film, Mick and Sue are headed to Hollywood to investigate the mystery of a murder that leads to a movie studio.

Sunday – (R) "One Night at McCool's," starring Liv Tyler and Matt Dillion – It all started one night at McCool's. Three unsuspecting men and one woman with a dream are brought together. Before the night was over, she had become all the three men could think about. She moved in on one, made the other forget his (living) wife and made the third forget his (dead) wife. She was more trouble than these three men were worth – and what she wanted was bigger than all of them put together.

Friday – (R) "Town And Country," starring Warren Beatty and Goldie Hawn – While celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary in Paris with their best friends, Mona and Griffin, it becomes clear to Porter and Ellie that something is wrong. A series of events bring in to question the whole idea of love, marriage, commitment and the differences between men and women.

Saturday at 2 p.m. and Sunday – (PG) "Spy Kids," starring Antonio Banderas and Alan Cumming – For years, Ingrid Cortez has told her children the bedtime story of "The Spies Who Fell in Love." Little do Carmen and Juni Cortez know that the spies in the fairy tale are actually their parents who have been nabbed by the enemy. To keep their family together, the kids take on two perilous missions that defy the odds

Saturday evening – (PG-13) "Joe Dirt," starring David Spade and Brittany Daniel – Joe Dirt hits the road alone to find the parents that he lost, or that lost him. His wandering, misguided search takes him from one hilarious misadventure to another. Through triumph and adversity, Joe Dirt plows on to unearth the mystery of his family's disappearance with startling results.

(Editor's note: Movies are subject to change. Telephone numbers are provided for patrons to confirm scheduled play dates.)

LIFESTYLE

Community

Membership meeting

The Emerald Coast chapter, Air Force Cadet/Officer Mentor Action holds its general membership meeting today at 3 p.m. at the Eglin Air Force Base Officers Club. The keynote speaker is Maj. Gen. Michael Kostelnik, Air Armament Center commander. All local area officers, enlisted and civilian personnel are encouraged to attend. Please contact 2nd Lt. Steven Oliver at 884-3411 for further details.

Boat race

The 13th annual Cardboard Boat Regatta is June 29 at the Soundside area. Boats may arrive on site between 10 a.m. and noon. Judging begins at 5 p.m. and the race begins at 6 p.m.

Please register by June 26. For more information or to register call Hurlburt Field Outdoor Recreation at 884-6939.

Classes

Quilting class

A hand quilting class will be offered at the Heritage Museum Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The five-hour class is designed to teach beginners or help experienced quilters improve their quilting stitches. In addition to learning three ways to do the quilting stitch, people will learn how to make templates and mark quilt designs before and after layering.

A quilting kit is provided that contains fabric and batting to make a 16-inch design area, two quilting needles, a washout marker, safety pins and pattern.

Students need to bring an 11-by-11-inch or 11-by-17-inch PVC quilting hoop or a 10-by-14-inch wooden quilting hoop, one spool of colored quilting thread, a small towel and small scissors.

An example of the square to be quilted can be viewed at the museum. The cost is \$35 for members and \$40 for non-members. Early registration is important. For registration or for more information, call 678-2615.

FSC

For more information on family support center classes, call 884-5441

Mapping your Career – Monday, at 1 p.m.

Sponsorship Training – Monday, at 1 p.m.

Moms, Pops and Tots – Tuesday, at 10 a.m. for children from birth to age 2 and Wednesday, at 10 a.m. for ages 2 to 4.

Enhancing Relationships – Tuesday, at 6:30 p.m.

Résumé Workshop – Thursday, at 5 p.m.

Hurricane Awareness – Thursday, at 6:30 p.m.

VA Women's brief – Thursday, at 9 a.m.

Deployment Readiness -

Thursday, at 9 a.m. to prepare individuals and couples for deployment, temporary duty assignments and remote tours.

Sports

B-ball refs wanted

An instructional camp for new and experienced basketball officials is today through Sunday at Pryor Middle School, Fort Walton Beach. The camp includes extensive classroom instruction and on-the-floor evaluations with emphasis on mechanics, positioning and basketball philosophies. College supervisors and assignors will be in at-

tendance. For more information, call 968-9299 or 882-8797 Ext. 202.

Sports break

The Spring sports season on Hurlburt Field is officially on hold until June 21. The season resumes June 25 or 26, depending on the sport. Tournaments will begin early July following the holiday. People are encouraged to pick up a schedule at the main fitness center. For more information, call the fitness center at 884-6884.

Football registration

Registration has begun for youth full-contact football (ages 11 and 12 only) and continues to

July 14. Cost is \$35 for Eglin Air Force Base youth center members and \$45 for non-members. Players must be 11, but not 13 prior to Aug. 1. Players must have a current sports physical, birth certificate or identification card and current shot record on file prior to practicing. For more information, contact Terry Evans, Eglin Air Force Base youth sports director, at 882-8212 or 882-5074

Paintball volunteers

Volunteers are needed to help put up nets on the paintball field Saturday. People interested in helping are encouraged to meet on the field, located across U.S. Highway 98, just east of the Soundside at 8 a.m.

Sports

Base triathletes prepare for championship

by Airman Sam Taylor
Public Affairs

New people possess the physical endurance to compete in races like the triathlon. Fewer still hone their skills to the point where they can make the Air Force triathlon team. Out of a mere 12 men and six women chosen from the entire Air Force, two Hurlburt Field troops have made the team this year. Kyle Minshew and Christine Bosau are headed to the Armed Forces Triathlon Championship Wednesday at Naval Base Ventura County, Calif., to compete against the Army, Navy and Marines.

Having competed in triathlons for less than a year, Minshew, an emergency action controller with the 16th Special Operations Wing, is the youngest and lowest ranking member of the Air Force team – Airman 1st Class – and is one of only two enlisted members.

"I don't get to go temporary duty a lot in my job, so competing with the Air Force team is awesome," he said. "I meet lots of cool people, and I've been to a lot of races around the state."

In contrast, Bosau, a Reserve major and assistant staff judge advocate here, has a mile-high résumé that includes being on the military national team since 1998 and being the fastest woman in the Air Force at the Ironman distance triathlon. She's competed in the world championships on behalf of the Air Force in both the Ironman and Olympic distances, as well as on the all-Armed Forces team.

The all-Armed Forces team is made up of the six best men and women from the competition Wednesday.

While an Olympic distance triathlon is "only" a near mile swim, 25 miles on a bike, a 6.1-mile run and takes about two hours to complete, an Ironman, in comparison, takes more than 11 hours, said Bosau.

Training for such a grueling race takes time and money – assets that are often in short supply.

"I try to get people interested in triathlons, but it's hard," said Minshew. "It's a very expensive sport. I put my whole enlistment bonus into my bike – \$2,500. I take swim lessons at the YMCA, and that's \$40 a month. The running is the only part that's free."

Minshew's punishing weekly workout includes a 30mile bike ride four days a week, immediately followed by a six-



Photo by Airman Sam Taylor

Kyle Minshew, an emergency action controller with the 16th Special Operations Wing, practices for Wednesday's 25-mile bike ride.

mile run. He swims three and runs six times a week.

Prior to his triathlon experience of late, the 20-year-old ran four years of track and cross-country in high school. Bosau, who turns 39 Sunday, has a major head start on the new airman. She started competing in triathlons in 1990, but because of law school, didn't compete from 1992 to 1996. She started competing again in 1997, and has been ever since.

Despite the harsh training schedule a triathlete endures, both Minshew and Bosau believe anyone who wants to can get involved in triathlons.

"Anybody can do this," said Bosau. "You just have to get out and train for it. [Interested people] should probably hook up with others who already train for triathlons, start slow, and try it out – try a few races and see if they like it, because training for a triathlon is pretty much a lifestyle." It's a lifestyle

Minshew has adopted, and will continue to practice. "I'll always keep doing endurance sports," he said, "and some day, I want to do the Ironman."



Courtesy photo

"Anybody can do this. You just have to get out and train for it."

Christine Bosau, Hurlburt Field staff judge advocate



Photo by Airman Sam Taylor Minshew jogs around the main fitness center track in preparation for his upcoming triathlon.